

EDUCATION DEPARTMENT[281]

Adopted and Filed

Rule making related to general accreditation standards

The State Board of Education hereby amends Chapter 12, “General Accreditation Standards,” Iowa Administrative Code.

Legal Authority for Rule Making

This rule making is adopted under the authority provided in Iowa Code section 256.7(27).

State or Federal Law Implemented

This rule making implements, in whole or in part, 2016 Iowa Acts, House File 2459.

Purpose and Summary

This technical amendment removes the sunset provision from the rule on independent accreditation agencies, which was stricken by 2016 Iowa Acts, House File 2459, section 15. Prior to the enactment of House File 2459, the provision on independent accreditation agencies was due to expire on July 1, 2020. This technical amendment removes that sunset provision from rule.

Public Comment and Changes to Rule Making

Notice of Intended Action for this rule making was published in the Iowa Administrative Bulletin on August 26, 2020, as **ARC 5149C**. A public hearing was held on September 15, 2020, at 2 p.m. in the ICN Room, Second Floor, Grimes State Office Building, Des Moines, Iowa, with the option to participate by video conference. No one attended the public hearing. The Department received one written comment referring to the rule making, which stated no objection to the proposed amendment. No changes from the Notice have been made.

Adoption of Rule Making

This rule making was adopted by the State Board on November 18, 2020.

Fiscal Impact

This rule making has no fiscal impact to the State of Iowa.

Jobs Impact

After analysis and review of this rule making, no impact on jobs has been found.

Waivers

This rule provision is required by statute and is not waivable.

Review by Administrative Rules Review Committee

The Administrative Rules Review Committee, a bipartisan legislative committee which oversees rule making by executive branch agencies, may, on its own motion or on written request by any individual or group, review this rule making at its [regular monthly meeting](#) or at a special meeting. The Committee’s meetings are open to the public, and interested persons may be heard as provided in Iowa Code section 17A.8(6).

Effective Date

This rule making will become effective on January 20, 2021.

The following rule-making action is adopted:

Rescind and reserve subrule **12.10(8)**.

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